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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/705,967 Confirmation No.: 6772
Applicant : William Christopher DUFFY
Filed : November 13, 2003
Title : APPARATUS FOR A FIRE-RATED DUCT
Group Art Unit : 3679
Examiner : HEWITT, James M.
Atty. Docket No. : US 1362/03
Date : December 7, 2005

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 7, 2005, the period for filing a response to which having been extended by three months, from September 7, 2005 to December 7, 2005, by virtue of concurrent filing of a Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.